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Dear Sir/Madam,

Your refund request for 10729169 in the amount of \$240.00 has been denied .

If the petition is granted the money will be refunded.

Sincerely,

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